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In re Application of:

Rorex, Phillip G. et al.

Serial No. 09/575,894

Filing Date: May 22, 2000

For METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
IDENTIFYING RELATED SEARCHES IN
A DATABASE SEARCH SYSTEM

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RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated February 6, 2004 and having a period for
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The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.



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- ☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

May 6, 2004
Date

John G. Rauch (Reg. No. 37,218)